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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
FCC
445 12th Street NW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Comment Deadlines Established Regarding the LightSquared Technical
Working Group Report, IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch,

As Powell County Judge Executive, I try and fight each day to bring a better quality of life to our citizens. This means I speak out for issues that greatly impact our ability to create opportunities in my community. Today, I want to voice my views about an issue coming before the FCC and a company called "LightSquared". If approved to go forward, this company can provide these better opportunities which will allow our area to have a better promise for economic development and provide a better way of life for our schools and families.

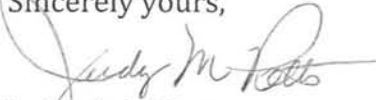
LightSquared is attempting to gain approval by the FCC to provide a better and highly advanced system of communications that will be especially great for a state like Kentucky. It will be even better for rural America. They propose a system of satellite-based communications. They have the investment of dollars in place and staying true to their word. Every step in this process of getting approval by the FCC, they have done what they promised and are trying to do the right thing.

For many years, I have been active with improving the Powell County educational system, as a mother and wife of a man who devoted his career as a leader in our local school system. What LightSquared is proposing will provide our children a better opportunity to compete and learn in the modern world. This is the reality of a small rural community in America. I care deeply about this issue.

As you know, we have great difficulties in communications during emergencies (almost worse than the emergencies themselves sometimes) and during normal times, our cellphone reception is almost non-existent in some of our outlying areas. Now I've been told that this new program proposed by LightSquared would go a long way toward fixing our problems, most especially in the emergency communications area. In fact, I've been told that the state of Kentucky has firsthand positive experience with their predecessor company, SkyTerra, but couldn't fund the program itself.

I urge you to take a serious and careful look at LightSquared and what they propose for this country. I believe your decision will impact Powell County, Kentucky and hundreds of other communities like ours, throughout our nation. I care enough to send this letter for your consideration and I hope and pray you make the right decision.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Judy M. Potts", written in dark ink.

Judge Judy Potts
Powell County, Kentucky